

REMARKS

The Examiner objected to the specification because of a number of punctuation errors. The above amendments to the specification correct these as well as others found by the Applicant.

The Examiner objected to the drawings because the data processing system described in the preamble of Claim 1 is not shown in the drawings. Applicant traverses this objection. There is no requirement that a computer be shown in the drawings of an application directed to a method of operating the computer. The Examiner's attention is drawn to the numerous patents issued in the last 10 years directed to methods of operating a computer or data processing system that do not show a drawing of a data processing system. In particular, the Examiner's attention is drawn to U.S. Patents 5,946,482 and 5,666,367. It should be noted that the '367 patent claims a method of simulating a circuit on a digital computer.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicant traverses this rejection.

The disclosure provides a model in Eq. (1) that is used to represent the output signal b_2 from the IF port when known signals, a_1 , a_2 , and a_3 are input to the ports of the mixer. Eq. (1) depends on two sets of constants, the S constants, and the C constants. The specification states that the S constants can be obtained by using a vector network analyzer to measure the S constants in a real circuit of the type for which the simulator is being constructed or by using a S -parameter simulator. Such simulators are known to the art, and hence, Applicant is not required to provide a detailed description of the methods used in the present application.

The specification goes on to explain the manner in which the C constants, i.e., the values of the C_{ij} are determined. In particular, the specification notes that the expression for the function $f(a_1, a_3)$ shown in Eq. (1) can be expanded in the form shown in Eq.(3) in the case in which the input signals have the form shown in Eq. (2). By comparing Eq. (1) with the substitution of the signal values shown in Eq. (2) and Eq. (3) and the application of well known trigonometric identities it is obvious that the coefficients a_{ij} are functions of the C_{ij} , A ,

and B. Consider the simple case in which M=1 and N=1. The expansion of Eq. (1) with the values in Eq. (2) yields

$$f(a_1, a_3) = C_{00} + AC_{10}\cos(w_1 t) + BC_{01}\cos(w_2 t) + ABC_{11}\cos(w_1 t)\cos(w_2 t).$$

From trigonometry, we know that

$$\cos(w_1 t)\cos(w_2 t) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(w_1 t + w_2 t) + \cos(w_1 t - w_2 t)) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(w_1 t \pm w_2 t)).$$

Hence,

$$f(a_1, a_3) = C_{00} + AC_{10}\cos(w_1 t) + BC_{01}\cos(w_2 t) + \frac{1}{2}ABC_{11}(\cos(w_1 t \pm w_2 t)).$$

By comparing this expansion with Eq. (3), it is clear that

$$a_{00} = C_{00}$$

$$a_{10} = A C_{10}$$

$$a_{01} = B C_{01}$$

$$a_{11} = \frac{1}{2}ABC_{11}$$

Given the values of A, B, and the coefficients a_{ij} , the values of the coefficients C_{ij} can be calculated from the above relationships. As pointed out in the specification, the coefficients a_{ij} can be measured with a spectrum analyzer by applying the input signal shown in Eq. (2) to the inputs of the mixer and analyzing the output of the mixer to determine the output power level of the corresponding mixing products in the output of the mixer with the inputs in question. Such determinations were clearly known to those in the simulator arts at the time the present application was filed as evidenced by the Faria, *et al.* article listed by the Examiner. This article describes, in detail, the determination of the IMT constants, a_{ij} , using a spectrum analyzer and known inputs to a mixer. Hence, given the measured values for the coefficients a_{ij} , the coefficients C_{ij} can be determined and substituted into Eq. (1) to provide a representation of the mixer that can be used to determine the output waveform when different input signals are applied to the mixer.

As noted in the specification, in general, the coefficients a_{ij} are related to the coefficients C_{ij} by a set of linear equations. The set of linear equations for any particular N and M values can be derived by comparing the expansion of Eq. (1) with Eq. (3) with the inputs of Eq. (2) in the same manner used in the simple example provided above. Methods for solving a set of linear equations are well known in the art, and hence, Applicant is not required to provide the details of such methods. Accordingly, the present application describes the manner in which the model constants are obtained from a given mixer design with sufficient detail to allow one of ordinary skill in the simulator arts to practice the invention.

The specification goes on to provide an example of a method based on a characteristic matrix for solving the linear equations. However, such detail is not needed to practice the invention. As noted by the Examiner, the matrix shown in Figure 2 is in error. The above amendments to the specification and drawings remove this figure and the references to it.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Applicant traverses this rejection.

According to the Examiner, the method taught by the disclosure is directed toward finding coefficients that define a mathematical equation that models the performance of a mixer. In contrast, Claims 1-3 are directed toward "a method for operating a data processing system to simulate a mixer". According to the Examiner, the disclosure only suggests an intended use for the mathematical model and a suggested intended use is insufficient to enable the invention. The Examiner points to the passage on page 5, lines 9-20 as supporting his position.

The Examiner fails to take note of the claims and the Summary of the Invention, both of which state that the invention is a method for operating a data processing system to simulate a mixer. Both the claims as filed and the Summary of the Invention are part of the disclosure. These sections do not merely suggest a use for a mathematical model. Furthermore, the cited passage refers to an embodiment of the invention as being part of a circuit simulator. This is not a mere suggestion.

The Examiner states that the technological art of circuit simulation is complex and diverse, and hence, merely suggesting that these equations could be put to use in that field does not permit a skilled artisan to make and use the claimed invention. The Examiner does not provide any authority for this proposition other than the Examiner's opinion. As noted above, the specification of the present application provides a specific method for deriving a model that is used to simulate a mixer. More than that is not required. Applicant also directs the Examiner's attention to the '367 patent mentioned above that is also directed to a method for simulating a circuit in which a model of the circuit is implemented on a data processing system.

The Examiner goes on to state that the disclosure requires several steps of experimentation to achieve results. In particular the Examiner points to the determination of the constants S11, S22, and S33. It is clear from Eq.(1) that these parameters can be measured by measuring the outputs of the mixer when known signals are input to the mixer on the various ports. The specification states that the constants can be measured using a vector network analyzer or an S-parameter simulator. There are numerous issued patents describing the measurement of S-parameters, or scattering matrices. Hence, this form of circuit characterization and measurement is known to the art. The Examiner's attention is drawn to 6,458,611 and 6,026,286.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite because the steps do not fulfill the function stated in the preamble of the claim. The above amendments clarify the manner in which the function in the preamble is fulfilled.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicant traverses this rejection.

The claims in question are clearly limited to a practical application within the circuit simulator art. Furthermore, Applicant wishes to point out that there are numerous issued patents directed to a method for operating a data processing system to simulate the output of a circuit when known signals are applied to the inputs of that circuit. The '367 patent mentioned above is such a patent. The present invention can be viewed as a device that digitally processes the input signals to obtain an output signal b2, where the input and output

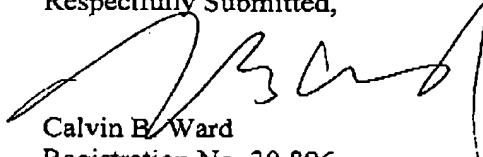
signals are defined digitally, and the processor utilizes a mathematical representation of a mixer. This is analogous to the digital filter example that the Examiner admits is patentable. In digital filters, an input signal, represented digitally, is processed by a computer using a mathematical representation of a signal filter to obtain an output signal, which is also a digitally represented signal.

The Examiner requested information with respect to journal articles describing services or goods in which the claimed subject matter has been embodied and the trade name of such goods and services. The present invention was incorporated in the Agilent Advanced Design System Version 1.5. Extensive documentation of the system is available for download on line at <http://eesof.tm.agilent.com/docs/adsdoc15/doc.html>. The documentation involves thousands of pages, and hence, Applicant submits that it will be more efficient for the Examiner to pick the specific sections of interest and download those. Applicant has enclosed an overview document printed from this website. It is not clear what the examiner is requesting here, and hence, Applicant cannot provide more specific documentation.

The Examiner has indicated that he cannot determine the art field in which the present invention belongs. Applicant wishes to point out the specification makes it clear that it applies to circuit simulators and computer programs used to implement such simulators.

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Respectfully Submitted,

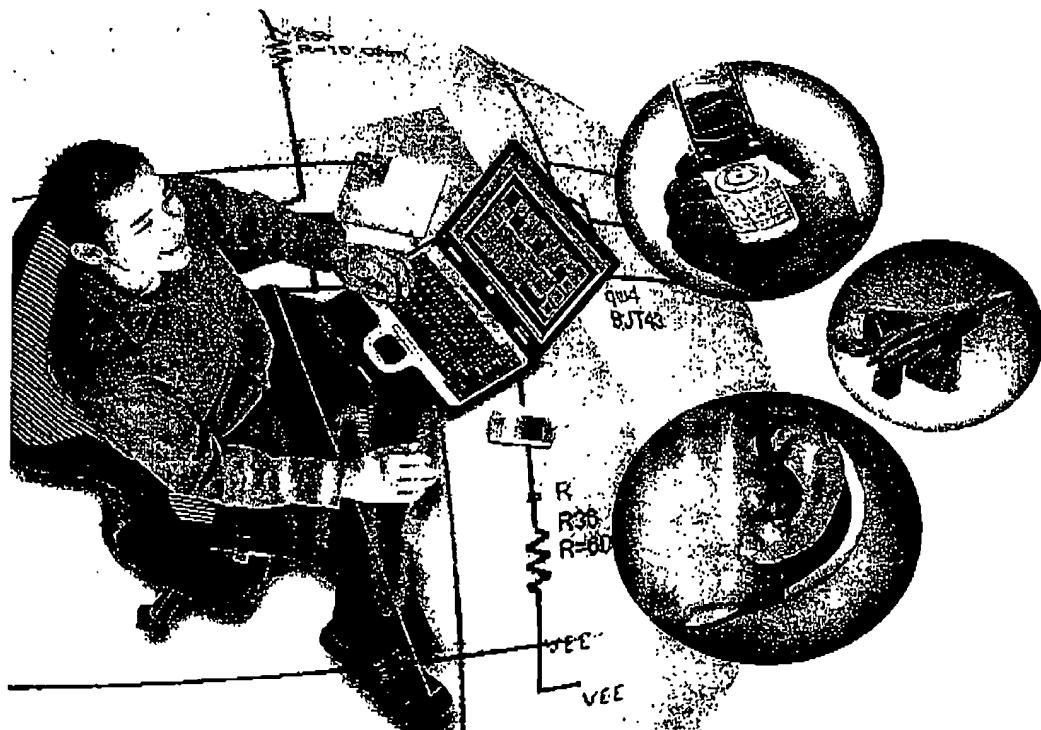


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As technology and competition accelerate, so do the challenges of getting to market first, with better, smaller, and faster products. Today, it is critical for engineers to be productive and effective. Efficiently exploring different design possibilities requires powerful tools and methodologies.

Agilent understands these challenges first-hand. Our diverse electronic products and test and measurement businesses include designers of RF and microwave semiconductor products such as duplexers, filters, mixers, and RFICs. Our own fabrication facilities include Si and GaAs processes for manufacturing circuits and components such as mixers, attenuators, pre-scalers, switches, and power amplifier ICs – all used extensively in today's sophisticated communications products.

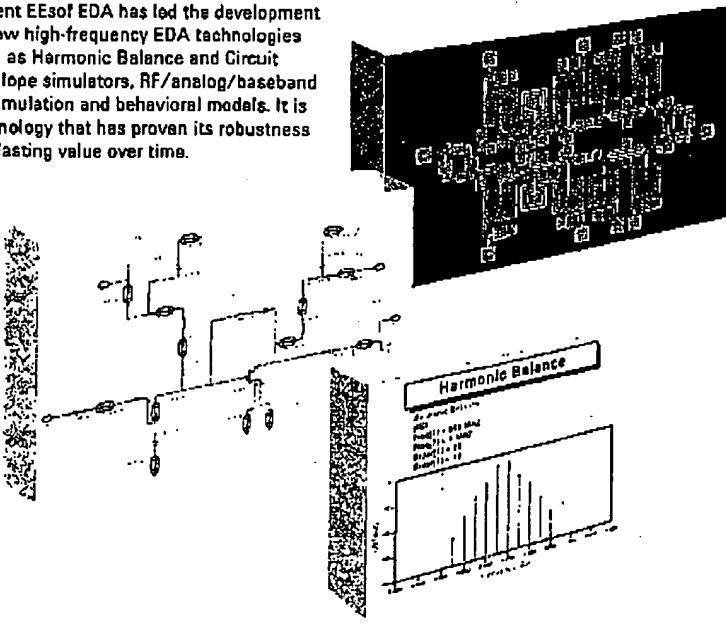
Our EDA business grew out of an internal need to improve the design process for RF and microwave test instrumentation. The business quickly grew to division status, with a long history of innovation that continues today, including many patented technologies and current patents pending.

With the introduction of the Touchstone linear simulator more than 20 years ago, Agilent EEsof EDA has led the development of new high-frequency EDA technologies such as Harmonic Balance and Circuit Envelope simulators, RF/analog/baseband co-simulation and behavioral models. It is technology that has proven its robustness and lasting value over time.

Most popular high-frequency design software

Advanced Design System (ADS) is the industry leader in high-frequency design. It supports system and RF design engineers developing all types of RF designs, from simple to the most complex, from RF/microwave modules to integrated MMICs for communications and aerospace/defense applications. With a complete set of simulation technologies ranging from frequency- and time-domain circuit simulation to electromagnetic field simulation, ADS lets designers fully characterize and optimize designs. The single, integrated design environment provides system and circuit simulators, along with schematic capture, layout, and verification capability – eliminating the stops and starts associated with changing design tools mid-cycle.

Agilent EEsof EDA offers a wide variety of flexible plans to work within your budget. Time-based licenses and limited-term packages are available to get you the tools you need today. As your design needs grow, you can add simulators, models, and libraries as you require them.



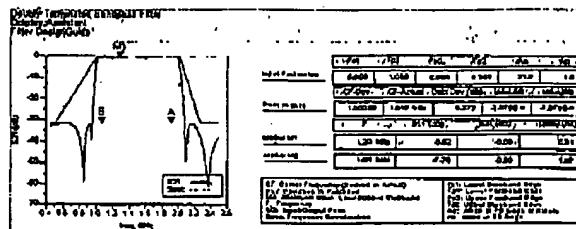
More focus on design – less on learning

Time-to-market pressures often don't accommodate learning a new software package. That is why ease-of-use is so important for EDA tools and why each release of ADS brings new industry advances. Ease-of-design is a superset of ease-of-use because it bridges the gap between the simulation technology and its successful use in real-world designs. It allows users to not only find the right menu options, but to get to first-cut design results much faster.

When starting a new design, many designers like to leverage examples or start from templates. ADS supplies over 300 examples, accessed through a powerful search engine. Each example gives instructions for using ADS, so you can focus on the design, and not on the design tool.

Data display for the big picture

If your simulation results do not allow you to see at a glance how your design is performing, you're losing productivity. The strong data analysis and display technology in ADS lets you view results in the many ways you may want to see them. Post processing capabilities let you manipulate data using custom expressions, view data on different plots, and change specifications, all without re-simulating. You can even move a marker and see other plots update in real time. Each data display is associated with a simulation setup, allowing you to save and re-use it.



DesignGuides and templates in ADS make displaying simulation results easy.

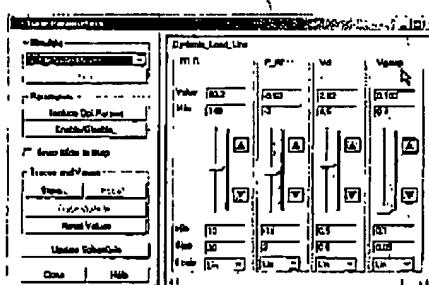
DesignGuides for expert help

Most design tools don't include application-specific design help even though many have asked for it. Because ease of design is so important, Agilent EEsof EDA has more than a dozen industry experts using their experience and best practices to create application-oriented ADS DesignGuides. DesignGuides make the job of circuit design easier, faster, and more consistent with wizards, pre-configured set-ups and displays, and step-by-step instructions. Complete design applications such as amplifiers, filters, mixers, microstrip circuits, RF systems, Bluetooth, and ultra-wideband designs, to name just a few, give you easy access to the power of ADS without taking time to learn from scratch.



"I collaborate with Agilent EEs of EDA because they have the largest customer base to potentially benefit from my expertise. The open architecture of the ADS platform makes it easy for application specialists like me to develop DesignGuides. The time I put into a DesignGuide is time saved in engineering cycles."

Dr. Michael Jensen
Professor of Electrical Engineering, Brigham Young University and Vice President of AJ Design Group



The ADS user interface makes design tasks easy. For example, the tuning interface features sliders that update circuit performance in real time and step sliders that move by step size for quick, accurate circuit tuning.

The widest choice in models – from Process Design Kits to custom extraction



"ADS is an important toolset to support. It has the widest usage among our customer base and within TriQuint."

Eli Reiss, Director of Design Engineering at TriQuint Semiconductor in Richardson, Texas.

Design kits for foundry process compatibility

Agilent works with top foundries around the world to develop and support process design kits for RFIC and MMIC design in ADS. Kits are maintained by the foundry, so you can be sure they provide the most accurate and up-to-date models for their latest process, as well as the most comprehensive design automation features.

High-quality models for accuracy

Accurate models are a prerequisite for any successful design flow. Without good models, designers can't make progress or have confidence in their simulation results.

ADS has models for every microwave and RF design application:

- RF System models provide gain blocks, mixers, filters, modulators and demodulators, PLL components, and passive elements for accurate and easy system design.
- All the major component vendors provide up-to-date component libraries specifically for ADS.
- Component libraries have over 100,000 parts. Many contain auto-layout capabilities for creating a layout directly from schematic for design rule checking or planar EM simulation.
- Design Libraries contain models for the latest communication standard modulation formats, including 3G, WLAN, EDGE, and UWB.

Several options allow you to develop customized models that meet your specific device and product requirements:

- Advanced Model Composer, based on a patented technology, uses EM simulation to create accurate passive models that have the simulation speed advantages of analytical models.
- Verification Model Extractor creates system-level behavioral models from device-level circuit designs for faster system-level verification.
- Analog Model Development Kit generates user-defined circuit and system models for integrating proprietary behavioral models.
- Verilog-A compiler allows the simulation of custom device models and behavioral models in Verilog-A format.

Agilent also provides modeling systems to develop accurate device model extractions.



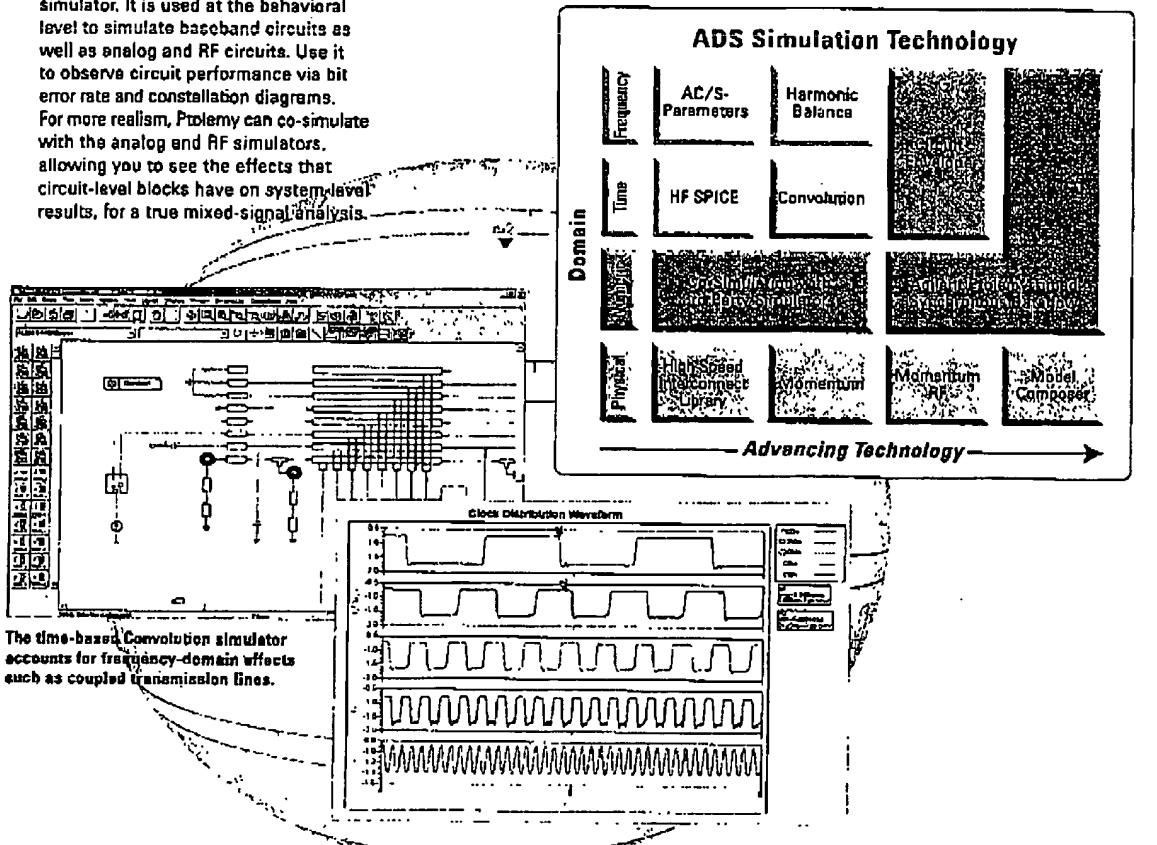
Industry-leading simulation technology — circuit to system, simple to complex

Simulator technology handles size, complexity, with ease

Designing circuits for different functional blocks often requires an array of simulation technologies. ADS offers the most complete set of simulation technologies available today in a single software package. Combined, they enable you to fully characterize and optimize designs under varied conditions without simulator-imposed limitations on accuracy, depth, or detail. The result is a design that can exceed performance requirements and be manufactured at high volumes.

Simulator highlights:

- For system-level simulation, Agilent Ptolemy is the only commercially available timed synchronous data flow simulator. It is used at the behavioral level to simulate baseband circuits as well as analog and RF circuits. Use it to observe circuit performance via bit error rate and constellation diagrams. For more realism, Ptolemy can co-simulate with the analog and RF simulators, allowing you to see the effects that circuit-level blocks have on system-level results, for a true mixed-signal analysis.
- When it was introduced in the early 1980s, Harmonic Balance was the first commercially available simulator of its kind. Over time, it has developed into the most advanced frequency-domain simulator for fast analysis of nonlinear circuits. Today, it can handle large-scale ICs with thousands of transistors. It also simulates digital frequency-divider circuits using the Transient Assisted Harmonic Balance capability.
- Circuit Envelope is a patented ADS innovation that enables accurate analysis of time-varying carriers directly in the frequency domain. Only Circuit Envelope simulates time-varying signal response
- at the system level, allowing direct and easy optimization of circuit performance. Key applications include modulator/demodulator response, synthesizer hopping analysis, phase-lock-loop-based automatic frequency control response, oscillator stability and warm up, and automatic gain control/phase-lock-loop response to complex signals.
- The RF System simulator contains a unique RF system budget analysis feature that lets you examine more than 40 system measurements such as third-order intercept, 1dBc, and noise figure for each component in the high-level system.



From the spark of an idea to a verified design —

Agilent EEs of EDA is committed to providing the most complete design flow. Where gaps exist that give designers pain and take up their time, we round out our product line and solutions to bridge them.

Physical design predicts performance

Accurate implementation of physical design is important for predicting hardware performance. ADS includes a comprehensive physical design environment specifically geared for high-frequency layout design and verification. It hosts a number of capabilities such as design synchronization with schematic, a physical connectivity engine, integrated EM simulators, and a design rule checker (DRC). Layout allows designers to fully characterize artwork and improves the ability to catch errors prior to production. High-frequency designs can even be started in Layout and back-annotated to schematic for further analysis.



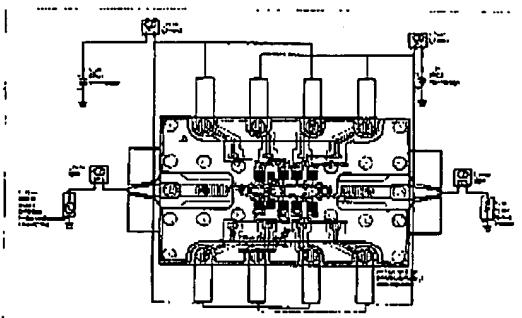
ADS Layout Information is combined with the Momentum substrate definition to produce a 3D spatial representation of circuit geometries.

New Physical Connectivity Engine

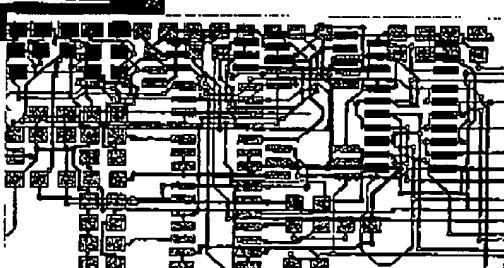
When it comes to high-frequency design, traditional LVS tools often limit interconnect options to simple traces. Agilent's Physical Connectivity Engine lets you use any custom shape to build interconnects. The engine runs in the background and extracts interconnect information from traces, paths, vias, and custom polygons, in real time, allowing you to perform a number of interconnect checks without launching a separate utility. The Physical Connectivity Engine also allows you to verify real-time-connectivity graphically on your layout, providing a true representation of interconnects. Better interconnect representations reduce design uncertainty before prototyping, so you can be confident that what you design in schematic is what you represent in layout.

Momentum for EM analysis

Momentum, our 2.5D planar electromagnetic (EM) simulator for passive circuit analysis, is fully integrated with the ADS layout environment. It models the electromagnetic behavior of multi-layer planar geometries and generates accurate EM models that can be used directly in ADS circuit simulators. Momentum is especially valuable for modeling critical passive components such as spiral inductors, and for verification of complex EM effects such as interconnect coupling and substrate losses and radiation.



Co-simulation with Layout Components allows you to incorporate layout artwork into the schematic environment to enable concurrent analysis of circuit performance along with critical physical effects.



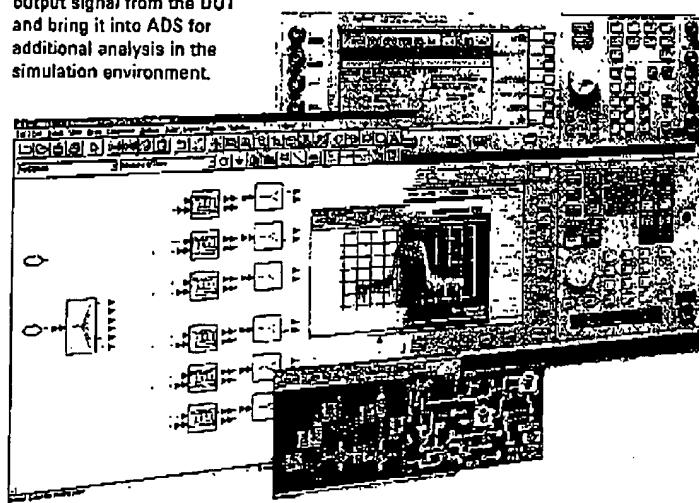
The Physical Connectivity Engine check connectivity feature allows you to highlight any trace or interconnect, and then highlights all overlapping metal.

– with no break in the flow

Connected Solutions

Design verification using today's complex communications signal formats is a challenge. Designs can be analyzed early in simulation, and they can be verified later, after all of the hardware returns from fabrication – but designers don't have the luxury of waiting for all of the hardware. They need an intermediate level of verification to cut overall design time and reduce risk.

Agilent's connected solutions allow verification very early in the prototyping cycle for applications ranging from emerging wireless communications products to aerospace/defense by integrating ADS with Agilent test instruments such as signal generators and signal analyzers to enable new design and verification capabilities. This unique combination allows the sharing of signals, measurements, algorithms, and data seamlessly between the virtual software and physical hardware domains. Designers use this linkage to simulate and evaluate design trade-offs and what-ifs and then turn the simulated signal into an RF test signal on the bench for hardware test. Conversely, designers can take the measured output signal from the DUT and bring it into ADS for additional analysis in the simulation environment.



From emerging wireless communications products to aerospace/defense applications. Connected Solutions cuts design time and reduces risk.

Design flow integration – partners for complete success

At Agilent EEs of EDA we align with key EDA vendors and frameworks to provide enhanced solutions that complement your investment. The open and flexible ADS environment ensures that a wide range of design flows is supported. For example, if your design flow is based on a Cadence or a Mentor flow, Agilent EEs of EDA supports these frameworks with integration products using industry-standard formats. Our expanding list of partners goes well beyond standard relationships and is part of an ongoing effort to provide best-in-class tools and technology that work the way you work best—in an integrated environment.

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CST – for tighter 3D EM simulation
For design applications such as packaging, optical fibers, and RF system-in-package, designers can take advantage of our integration with CST's leading time- and frequency-domain 3D EM modeling

capabilities. These EM simulators work with ADS to further the industry trend toward tighter EM and circuit simulation – a trend that started several years ago with the integration of Agilent's 2.5D planar EM Momentum simulator with the circuit simulators in ADS.

CST's time-domain engine is well suited to broadband applications such as Signal Integrity (SI) and off-chip interconnect verification. For narrow-band resonant structures, the frequency-domain solver provides an accurate, fast solution. Tighter integration with CST gives designers the industry's widest range of available choices.



"Agilent's design software and test hardware accelerates our design verification, giving us the confidence to begin prototyping."

Eric Hansen,
President and CEO of
Innovative Wireless
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Application Areas

– from RF to microwave, from circuit to system,

Microwave/MMIC design

Reduce costs and get to market fast, and first. This is the challenge that MMIC designers face. ADS rises to this challenge, making MMIC design faster and easier than ever before. ADS supports a complete, front-to-back flow by incorporating Layout and all of the ADS simulation technologies (system, circuit, and electromagnetic) in a single, integrated design flow. All of today's leading GaAs foundries actively maintain component design kits that support the powerful ADS simulation technologies.

In microwave circuit design, the circuit and physical designs must be closely linked. ADS allows you to start a MMIC design in either the layout or schematic environment. The design synchronization engine controls and tracks design updates and supports multiple design synchronization modes to match your methodology.

The ADS Layout components feature adds a new dimension to MMIC design. You can bring a layout directly into the schematic environment to give you access to EM simulators within your circuit design. Or, you can bring in a DUT board – characterized by network analyzer measurements or

by EM simulation – for concurrent modeling of the design while accounting for board or packaging effects.

Signal integrity/ high-speed digital design

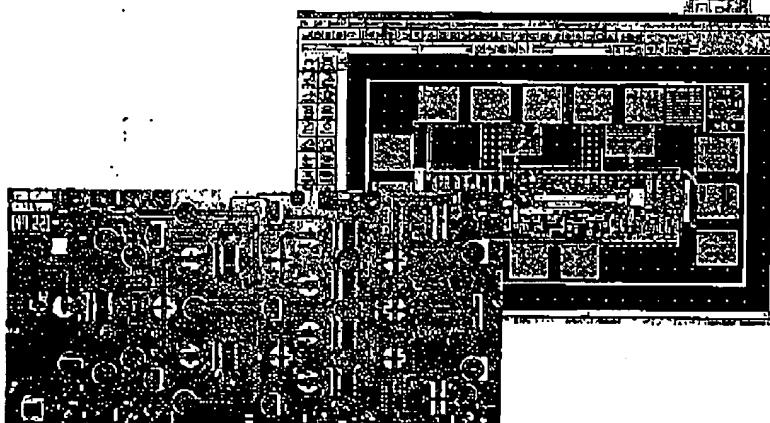
Signal integrity is a major concern for engineers of high-data-rate designs, such as Infiniband, PCI Express, and RapidIO. Meeting the demand for increasingly fast circuits with high clock speeds is a constant challenge. High-frequency analog effects such as reflection, cross talk, ground bounce, and propagation delays through interconnects adversely affect signal quality and timing performance.

ADS has the right simulation tools and libraries, including a multi-layer interconnect library that enables you to accurately model and analyze high-speed interconnect problems before fabrication, resulting in lower development costs and faster time to market.

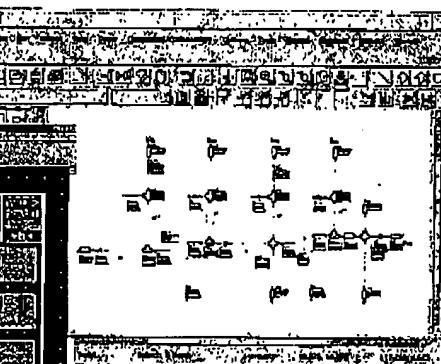
RFIC design

As today's wireless and wireline applications increase in frequency and speed, RFIC design engineers need access to accurate and efficient high-frequency simulation tools. Shorter product lifecycles and global competition continue to add pressure for quality product designs. Agilent EEsof EDA has the most comprehensive set of simulation tools, models, and verification features to increase the robustness of your RFIC designs.

If your designs are based on the Cadence flow, you can access Agilent's powerful frequency-domain simulation technologies directly from within the Cadence environment using Agilent's RF Design Environment. Circuit netlists from the Cadence environment can also be brought into ADS for system-level analysis using Dynamic Link. Either way, you've got the power to efficiently design RFICs with high performance and yield for capitalizing on market opportunities.



Advanced simulation technology, accurate models, and physical design verification provide the most complete MMIC design tool available.



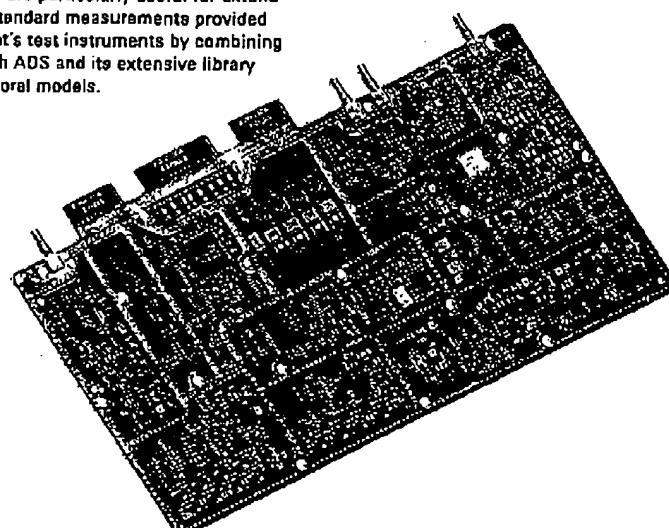
from board to package to RFIC – ADS is the tool of choice

Communications system design

Today, the complexities of system design are greater than ever. Designers working with recent and emerging wireless standards such as WLAN, UWB, 3GPP, Digital TV, and WiMAX need to reduce design turns and get to market quickly with a complete system that satisfies the needs of RF/analog and baseband applications. Aerospace/defense industry designers also need quick design turns and rapid design verification when specifications are incomplete and measurements are highly specialized.

Wireless communications product system designs must be partitioned into their baseband and RF portions. For the baseband portion, ADS offers an extensive digital baseband library for use with the Agilent Ptolemy simulator. For the RF portion, ADS provides more behavioral models than any other EDA vendor – more than 1800 models in all. ADS design and model libraries are preconfigured for simulation and contain the most complete set of measurements available. When additional measurements are required, Connected Solutions fills the gap with signal generation, sharing, and analysis via instrument-software links.

In aerospace/defense, Agilent's connected solutions are particularly useful for extending the standard measurements provided by Agilent's test instruments by combining them with ADS and its extensive library of behavioral models.



RF Board design

Today's high-frequency RF board designer wants few board re-spins and high-yield designs. The integrated system, circuit, and EM simulators, layout, and powerful optimizers in ADS help increase productivity and efficiency, validating your high-yield designs prior to manufacturing. Our focus on design flow integration means that ADS works with your other framework integration products, such as Mentor and Cadence.

Integration also means that the ADS Layout tool is linked to the schematic environment. This back-annotating link, coupled with our integrated EM simulator, allows you to account for physical effects that could significantly affect design performance. The Physical Connectivity Engine detects wiring information that is so important to a correct layout, and feeds it to the interconnect checking features in ADS for an accurate representation of layout interconnects.

A growing list of up-to-date component libraries is available for ADS RF board design. Agilent, component vendors, and modeling companies regularly update these libraries, and we provide download access to them via the Agilent EEs of EDA web site.

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Cree
DT Microcircuits - LTCC
Dupont - LTCC
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Freescale
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KOA Speer
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Murata
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NEC
On Semiconductor
Panasonic
Philips
Polytek
Presidio Components, Inc.
Skyworks
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TDK
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Toshiba
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Vishay

An ever growing list of component vendors provide libraries for ADS. (Several of these are offered by Modelithics, Inc.)

Getting the most from ADS

World-class support

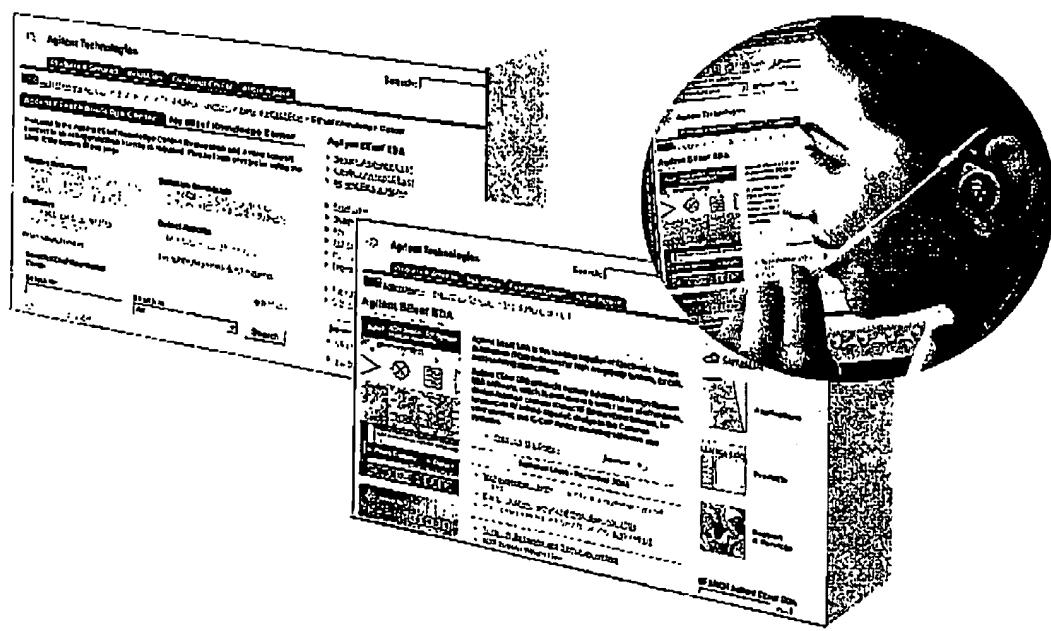
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– with support, training, services

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"I really appreciate the Agilent EEsof EDA training class. The presentation of ADS capabilities, such as how to simulate an entire communication link and integrate RF with Ptolemy, is excellent."

Peter Danney,
RF/Antenna Engineer,
Harris Corporation

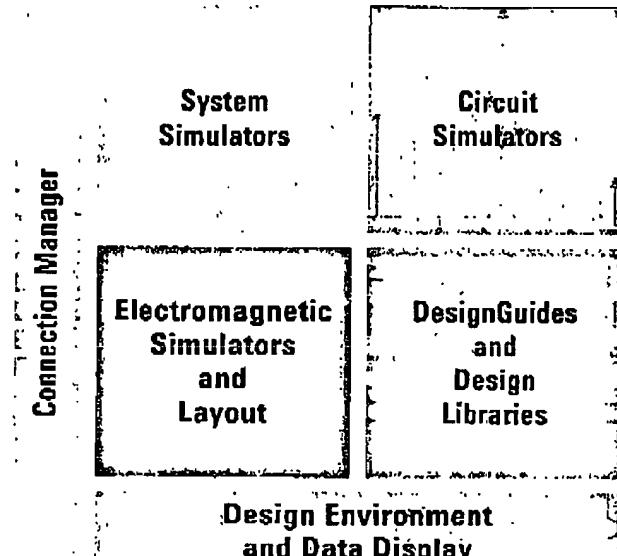
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Extensible design suites let you begin with a front-to-back solution that fits your budget, adding capabilities as you need them. ADS products range from economical foundation

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ADS Product Structure



The flexible product structure of ADS lets you begin with pre-configured suites and add capabilities as you need them.

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